

TESTIMONIALS  
IN FAVOUR OF  
WILLIAM TRAILL, M.D.,  
AND  
L.R.C.S.E.

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*From* PROFESSOR SIMPSON, M.D.

52 QUEEN STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 13th April, 1866.

Dr William Traill is intimately known to me, professionally and personally. He is most thoroughly acquainted with Medicine in all its branches, and has practised very successfully for several years past in Dunfermline the departments of Medicine, Midwifery, and Surgery. Dr Traill is highly worthy of the professional confidence of those who may employ him, and his zeal and kindness are sure to gain for him the friendship and esteem of his patients.

J. Y. SIMPSON, M.D.

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*From* J. Warburton Begbie, M.D.

EDINBURGH, April 1866.

I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the high professional character of Dr William Traill, of Dunfermline, and in expressing the opinion that in all respects he is eminently qualified to secure the confidence and respect of those who are committed to his care.

Dr Traill has during several years, with diligence and success, discharged the duties of his profession in Dunfermline; and now that he is about to leave it and settle in London, I feel satisfied that his departure will awaken the regret of very many persons, while it will also lead to the expression by such of their best hopes and wishes for his future well being.

J. Warburton Begbie.

*From* JAMES DUNSMURE, M.D., F.R.C.S., *Edinburgh.*

53 QUEEN STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 18th April, 1866.

Dr Traill has been for many years resident in Dunfermline, where he has carried on an extensive practice. I have had repeated opportunities of witnessing his Medical qualifications, and it gives me now great pleasure to state, that I consider him well acquainted with the different departments of the profession, and thoroughly able to undertake all the duties devolving upon him.

JAMES DUNSMURE.

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*From* JAMES SPENCE, F.R.C.S., *Surgeon in Ordinary to the Queen for Scotland, Professor of Surgery in the University of Edinburgh, Senior Surgeon Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, Consulting Surgeon Royal Sick Children's Hospital, &c., &c.*

21A AINSLIE PLACE,  
EDINBURGH, 19th April, 1866.

Having been long acquainted with Dr William Traill, and had much correspondence with him in reference to Surgical cases which were or had been under his care, I feel very great pleasure in stating that from my professional intercourse with Dr Traill, I have formed a high estimate of his professional acquirements. He possesses a thorough knowledge of the principles of Medicine and Surgery, combined with tact and experience derived from practice; and whilst he has been actively engaged in a laborious and anxious exercise of his profession, has kept himself thoroughly abreast of all the recent improvements in Medical Science, and is much respected and esteemed by his professional brethren, as an intelligent and able Practitioner.

JAMES SPENCE, F.R.C.S.

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*From* GEORGE S. KEITH, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

EDINBURGH, 1st May, 1866.

I have known Dr Traill ever since he was a Student here. He has all the qualities requisite for the successful following out of his profession, and I can confidently recommend him as a well-instructed, energetic, and kindly Physician.

GEORGE S. KEITH.



*From* PROFESSOR CHRISTISON, M.D., &c.

EDINBURGH, 27th April, 1866.

I certify that I have been well acquainted with Dr William Traill, as a graduate of the University of Edinburgh, and as a Practitioner, since he left college; and I am persuaded that he is a well-informed Physician, conversant with the duties of his profession, and worthy of all confidence in any situation of professional work.

R. CHRISTISON.

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*From* DAVID SKAE, M.D., *Physician Royal Edinburgh  
Asylum for the Insane.*

25th April, 1866.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Dr William Traill for several years, and have formed a very high opinion of his professional abilities and acquirements.

I believe he is thoroughly conversant, through a long and extensive practice in Dunfermline, with his profession in all its departments, and will be found to be a trustworthy and able Medical adviser in any place to which he may transfer his practice.

DAVID SKAE.

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*From* W. A. F. BROWNE, F.R.C.S.E., *Commissioner in  
Lunacy, Scotland.*

19th April, 1866.

I have been acquainted with Dr Traill for many years, and have had opportunities of knowing the high position which he occupied, and the extensive practice which he enjoyed in the prosperous town of Dunfermline and the surrounding district. I had, besides, means of becoming informed as to the manner in which he performed his official duties, and of forming an estimate of his character and deportment; and can speak favourably as to his having received an excellent professional education; as to great activity and energy of disposition and habits; as to extensive experience; and as to his attention to professional duties. I am convinced that Dr Traill will be found a valuable addition to whatever community he may become a member of.

W. A. F. BROWNE, F.R.C.S.E.

*From* J. BEGBIE, M.D.

10 CHARLOTTE SQUARE,  
EDINBURGH, 13th April, 1866.

I have the pleasure of knowing Dr William Traill, of Dunfermline, now about to settle in London. I entertain a very favourable opinion of his professional acquirements, of his skill as a Practitioner, and of his conduct as a gentleman, and feel assured that these qualifications will quickly recommend him to the confidence of the neighbourhood in which he is about to reside.

J. BEGBIE, M.D.

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*From* THOMAS KEITH, M.D., &c.

22 CHARLOTTE STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 30th April, 1866.

I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the merits of my old and much valued friend, Dr Traill, of Dunfermline, having known him for the last twenty years, and knowing well that he possesses all the qualities, both of head and heart, of an accomplished and experienced Physician. These qualities have been so much appreciated that his name has become a household word, even far beyond the extensive district in which he has worked so hard during the last fifteen or sixteen years, and I feel confident that his merits will be equally valued in the new field in which circumstances have now placed him.

THOMAS KEITH.

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*From* ALEX. R. SIMPSON, M.D. F.R.C.P.E., and F.F.S.S.,  
*Glasgow.*

1 BLYTHSWOOD SQUARE,  
GLASGOW, 2d May, 1866.

I have much pleasure in expressing the high opinion I entertain of Dr Traill's professional abilities and acquirements, for I have known him for several years, and have had occasion to see with him a variety of cases, and to discuss their nature and treatment. I have always esteemed him as a very intelligent and well-informed Medical Practitioner and gentleman, and have heard his poor patients speak of him with grateful affection.

ALEX. R. SIMPSON.



*From* ANDREW INGLIS, M.D., F.R.C.S., EDIN., *Accoucheur to the New Town Dispensary, Extra Member Royal Medical Society, Edinburgh, Member Edinburgh Obstet. Society, &c.*

33 ALBANY STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 3d March, 1866.

I have great pleasure in giving Dr Traill a testimonial. I have known him intimately since 1859, and during that time have had many opportunities of forming an opinion concerning his professional attainments.

From the large amount of general practice he has had, both at the patients' houses and in the Hospital, his experience has been great in all branches of the profession, and his acute habits of observation have made his opinion in obscure cases of great value to his professional brethren. In Surgery, also, he has had a considerable amount of practice, and operates with great skill and dexterity. As I have, however, attended more particularly to Midwifery, I can speak more confidently concerning his attainments in that branch of the profession. His patience and judgment in tedious cases, and his great coolness and thorough knowledge of the subject, are so well known in the district where he is now practising, that he is almost always consulted by his professional neighbours when they meet with any unusual difficulty.

His quiet and kind manner in a sick-room is also well worthy of notice, and, along with his high professional attainments, eminently fits him for a first-class general practice.

ANDREW INGLIS, M.D.

*From* R. OMOND, M.D., F.R.C.S., *Edinburgh.*

EDINBURGH, 17th April, 1866.

I have been acquainted with Dr William Traill since his early years. At the University of Edinburgh, he was an active, diligent, and successful Student of Medicine. During his residence in Fifeshire, he has acquired much useful knowledge in every branch of the Medical profession, and he now removes to the wider field of London, fully qualified to take his place as a prudent, experienced, and trustworthy Practitioner.

(Certified by) R. OMOND, M.D.

*From D. PEEL RITCHIE, M.D., Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, Extra Physician Royal Edinburgh Hospital for Sick Children, Physician Royal Dispensary, Edinburgh, and formerly Resident Medical Officer Bethnal House Asylum, London, &c.*

16 HILL STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 16th April, 1866.

Having had the pleasure of knowing Dr William Traill, Dunfermline, for many years, it gives me much pleasure to bear testimony to his high character as a gentleman, and his ability as a Medical Practitioner.

From the varied experience Dr Traill has enjoyed, there is an excellent guarantee of his professional acquirements; whilst the great success which has attended his practice testifies not only to his skilful treatment of disease, but also to his ready and accurate perception of it. I have frequently heard Dr Traill spoken of in terms of much affectionate regard by those who have received his professional attention; and from personal knowledge and the high reputation he has obtained, I have much satisfaction in recommending him as a Medical man worthy of the highest confidence in the various branches of his profession.

D. PEEL RITCHIE, M.D.

*From WILLIAM R. SANDERS, M.D., F.R.C.P., Physician to the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, Lecturer on Physiology, and on Clinical Medicine.*

11 WALKER STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 21st April, 1866.

It gives me pleasure to certify that I have been acquainted with Dr William Traill for about twenty years, and that from his knowledge of Medicine and Surgery, and his now considerable experience in practice, I believe him to be most competent for the discharge of the duties of our profession.

WILLIAM SANDERS.

*From WILLIAM ZIEGLER, M.D. ED., F.R.C.P.E., &c.*

47 GEORGE SQUARE,  
EDINBURGH, 21st April, 1866.

MY DEAR DR TRAILL.—Hearing you are about to leave



Dunfermline, with the view of settling in London as a general Practitioner, I have great pleasure in bearing my humble testimony of your fitness for professional work in such a sphere.

From the conscientious care and assiduity with which you prosecuted your studies at the University and Royal Infirmary here, (now, I think, sixteen years ago), as well as from the large and varied experience you have since acquired in the practice of your profession in all its departments, I believe you to be thoroughly qualified to undertake the treatment of disease in any form in which it may present itself to your observation, while your conciliatory and gentlemanly manners, and the strict uprightness of your character and conduct, cannot fail to gain for you the respect and esteem of all with whom you may be brought in contact, either as a friend or Medical adviser.

Heartily wishing you a large share of success,

I remain,

Yours ever faithfully,

WILLIAM ZIEGLER.

*From* R. R. MATHEWSON, L.R.C.P.

BELVEDERE, KENT,  
20th April, 1866.

I have very great pleasure in testifying to the superior professional attainments of Dr Traill; to his great zeal, industry, and success in the practice of his profession; to his high moral tone and gentlemanly character, and also to his exceeding kindness of heart.

In whatever field of action Dr Traill may be placed, I am convinced he cannot fail to become a man of mark.

R. R. MATHEWSON, L.R.C.P.

*From* JAMES DUNCAN, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., and P.F.R.S.

12 HERIOT ROW,  
EDINBURGH, 4th May, 1866.

I have much pleasure in bearing my testimony to Dr Traill's general and professional qualifications. Dr Traill has been thoroughly educated in his profession, and has taken full advantage of the opportunity he has enjoyed.

He has, besides, from the number of years he has practised in Dunfermline, had ample experience in all the departments of the profession. Having met him in practice, I can speak with confidence to his skill and judgment, and his kindness of manner, and I wish him every success in the more extended field to which he is about to repair.

JAMES DUNCAN.

*From* ROBERT BARTHOLOMEW, M.D., ED.

INVERKEITHING, 26th April, 1866.

MY DEAR SIR,—I feel gratified in being asked to bear testimony to your high qualifications as a Medical Practitioner, and to the distinguished standing which you have long held amongst your professional brethren, also to the respect and consideration with which your opinions on professional subjects have generally been regarded by them. I may also add that, as an operative Surgeon, you have justly acquired great fame in this locality. I regret exceedingly that you are leaving Dunfermline, as I always have had much pleasure in meeting you in consultation.

Wishing you all manner of success in London,

I am, my dear Sir,

Very truly yours,

Dr Traill, Dunfermline.

ROBERT BARTHOLOMEW.

*From* R. MUNRO, Surgeon.

KINROSS, 19th April, 1866.

Having known Dr Traill intimately for several years, I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to his high professional attainments, of which I have had ample opportunities of judging, having met him frequently in my own practice as Consulting Physician, and been often indebted to his valuable assistance for the successful results of Surgical operations. In addition to great practical knowledge in all that pertains to his profession, Dr Traill possesses much amiability of manners, and the bearing of a true gentleman.

In his new field of labour, I sincerely hope he may meet with the success he so well deserves.

R. MUNRO, Surgeon.



*From* A. STENHOUSE, M.D.

DUNFERMLINE, 20th April, 1866.

I hereby certify that I have been intimately acquainted with Dr Wm. Traill for upwards of fifteen years, and that during that period he has practised in Dunfermline as a Physician and Surgeon with much success.

I consider him to be a very sound and safe Practitioner, and one well acquainted with every branch of his profession, and I sincerely wish him success in his new sphere of labour.

A. STENHOUSE, M.D.

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*From* EDWARD A. WATSON, M.D. of Marischal College, and University of Aberdeen.

LIMEKILNS, 22d April, 1866.

I have very great pleasure in certifying that I have been intimately acquainted with Dr Traill for the last three years, and to his great abilities, both as a Surgeon and Consulting Physician. From his great experience, and uniform kindness and attention to his patients, I doubt not that he will soon recommend himself to any one who may require his professional services.

EDWARD A. WATSON.

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*From* DAVID MUNRO, L.R.C.P., ED., L.R.C.S., ED.

ABERDOUR, 20th April, 1866.

Having had the advantage of Dr Traill's assistance during the last three years in consultations, I feel myself in a position to bear testimony in the most favourable manner to his character as a Practitioner.

I have always placed the greatest reliance on his judgment in the solution of clinical difficulties, taking a well founded and just view of the facts before him. When I add that Dr Traill's character is irreproachable, and his manners those of a gentleman, that his intercourse with the sick is marked by courtesy and gentleness, and that with his brother practitioners he has maintained unbroken friendships, I have said, I trust, enough to recommend him to the consideration of those who do not know him.

DAVID MUNRO, M.D.



*From WILLIAM ROY, M.D.*

3 CHARLOTTE STREET,  
PERTH, 20th April, 1866.

Having been acquainted with Dr William Traill for a number of years, and having frequently availed myself of his professional services, which always gave the utmost satisfaction to my patients and myself, I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to his abilities as a Practitioner, and his conduct as a gentleman.

WM. ROY.

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*From DAVID AITKEN, Veterinary Surgeon.*

DUNFERMLINE, 1st May, 1866.

I have known William Traill, Esq., Surgeon and M.D., intimately for the last ten years, during which time he has officiated as Medical adviser to my family; and I have much pleasure in certifying that he has ever given the most unqualified satisfaction, not only from his undoubted ability as a Medical Practitioner, but from his unwearied and scrupulous attention to the duties of his profession. Further, from his willing alacrity and gentlemanly demeanour upon all occasions, he has gained the respect and esteem of all classes of the community, who, though sorry to lose his valuable services, trust he may secure in London that degree of success his talents so eminently deserve.

DAVID AITKEN.

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*From REV. ALEX. M'AUSLANE, Minister of Finsbury Chapel, London.*

April 20, 1866.

I have been personally acquainted with Dr Traill for the last twelve years. For six years, while I was in Scotland, he attended my family, and many members of my Church and Congregation. During that period he was called to numerous difficult cases, both of a Surgical and Medical nature, and in every instance his attention and skill were unchallenged. I can, therefore, recommend him with the most unwavering confidence as an Accoucheur, Surgeon, and Physician.

ALEX. M'AUSLANE.

*From Rev. DAVID RUSSELL, Minister of St Margaret's  
United Presbyterian Church.*

DUNFERMLINE, 20th April, 1866.

It is fourteen years since I first became acquainted with Dr Traill. About that time he came to Dunfermline, where he has laboured professionally ever since, gradually but steadily winning his way to a foremost place amongst the Practitioners of the city, and possessing now a most extensive practice amongst all classes of the community. I have never had occasion to consult him personally, and but little for my family; but there is no Medical man on whose skill I would place greater reliance in the hour of need. As the minister of a large congregation, I have had many opportunities of hearing the opinions of patients regarding him, and I only utter their unanimous sentiments when I say, that he is not more trusted as a Physician than beloved as a friend in the chamber of sickness or of death. I have also frequently heard well qualified and unbiassed judges speak from their own knowledge of his coolness and dexterity in performing Surgical operations, while as an Accoucheur, he is, I believe, all that could be desired. Regarding his removal as a loss to our town and district, and, therefore, regretting it, I yet cordially add mine to the numerous recommendations which I am sure he will receive from his friends and well-wishers in this place.

DAVID RUSSELL.

*From Rev. WILLIAM LOGIE, D.D., Minister of Dirleton,  
near Edinburgh.*

THE MANSE, DIRLETON, 25th April, 1866.

I have been very intimately acquainted with Dr William Traill, late of Dunfermline, from his childhood, and I have the most sincere admiration of his character and qualifications, personal and professional. He was always distinguished by those natural gifts which are specially valuable in a Medical man—sagacity, good sense, patience, perseverance, and a kind benevolent heart. A member of an ancient and highly respected family in the north of Scotland, he is universally beloved by the numerous friends of his youth. I witnessed his career as a Medical Student at the University of Edinburgh, which was one of unremitting diligence and



success. During the years of his professional practice in the important town of Dunfermline, his reputation has been very high, and I have heard some of the most trustworthy of his patients there speak of him, as a Medical attendant, in the highest terms of confidence and praise; and I have not the shadow of a doubt, that in the larger field to which he is now about to remove in London, he will be equally appreciated, and when he comes to be well-known, equally successful.

I have the greatest pleasure in adding my humble testimony to that of others who are more competent to speak of my friend's admirable professional abilities.

WILLIAM LOGIE.

*From* REV. PROFESSOR M'MICHAEL, D.D.

DUNFERMLINE, 21st April, 1866.

Dr Traill has been the Medical Attendant of my family for several years, and he has given so much satisfaction, that I feel regret at his departure. He understands his profession well; he is intelligent, prompt, and attentive, and every confidence may be placed in him.

N. M'MICHAEL, D.D.

*From* CHARLES SHIRREFF, ESQ., *Late Sheriff-Substitute of Fifeshire.*

5 CHESTER STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 27th April, 1866.

Dr William Traill, of Dunfermline, has been known to me for many years. While I resided in Fifeshire, and held the office of Sheriff-Substitute in that County, I had frequently occasion to employ him, on the part of the Crown, to make *post mortem* examinations of bodies in cases of sudden death, and by violence under suspicious circumstances. The Medical Reports which he returned to such remits were uniformly lucid, distinct, and carefully prepared, and greatly aided the authorities in the furtherance of the ends of justice.

Dr Traill was also employed occasionally as a Medical adviser in my own family, when I always found him unremitting in attention to his patients, and his prescriptions attended with beneficial results.

CHAS. SHIRREFF.



*From the Parochial Board of Dunfermline.*

DUNFERMLINE, 8th May, 1866.

We, the undersigned, being a quorum of the Managing Committee of the Parochial Board of Dunfermline, hereby certify that William Traill, Esq., M.D., held the appointments of Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for this parish—the former very nearly thirteen years, and the latter from the passing of the Vaccination Act till the date of his resignation of these offices, on the 3d ultimo; that we have had every reason to be satisfied with Dr Traill's performance of his duties; that we entertain a high opinion of his Medical skill, and know that his leaving Dunfermline is deeply regretted, not only by the paupers so long under his care, but by his very numerous private patients.

JOHN WHITELOW, Provost of the City,  
and Chairman of the Parochial Board  
of Dunfermline.

ROBERT ALSTON, Magistrate.

WILLIAM BEVERIDGE, Banker.

ROBERT ROBERTSON, Manufacturer.

WILLIAM CLARK, Bookseller.

WILLIAM MATHEWSON, Manufacturer.

WILLIAM ROBERTSON, Merchant.

*From* THOMAS N. BROWN, ESQ., *Editor of the Dunfermline Press.*

PRESS OFFICE,  
DUNFERMLINE, 1st May, 1866.

I have known Dr Traill for nearly seven years now, as a Medical Practitioner in large practice in Dunfermline. I have had occasion to know a good deal about the Doctor's professional qualifications, and have no hesitation in describing these as of a high order. As a Physician and Surgeon, he has been very successful. Amidst an extensive practice, leaving but little leisure, Dr Traill has yet kept fully abreast of the literature of his profession. Possessing superior natural ability, and great energy of character, I have little doubt that in the more extended sphere to which Dr Traill is about to transfer his talents he will greatly distinguish himself.

THOMAS N. BROWN.

*From* JAMES A. BEVERIDGE, ESQ.

PRIORY HOUSE,  
DUNFERMLINE, 18th April, 1866.

MY DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in stating that during the ten years you have been Medical Attendant in our family your skill and attention have given us the greatest satisfaction. We regret exceedingly to learn that you are about to leave Dunfermline, but sincerely trust that you will meet with every success wherever you may practise your profession.

I am, my dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

JAMES A. BEVERIDGE.

Dr Traill, Dunfermline.

*From* PATRICK J. SOUTAR, ESQ., *Writer or Solicitor.*

DUNFERMLINE, 20th April, 1866.

I certify that I have known Dr Traill, of this place, very intimately for a period of seventeen years; that he has attended in my family at all times when his services were required, as Physician, Surgeon, and Accoucheur; that I entertain the very highest opinion of his professional skill and devoted attention to his patients, and that I know his leaving Dunfermline will occasion very deep regret, not only to his numerous patients, but to the community generally.

PAT. J. SOUTAR.

*From* D. R. HALDANE, ESQ.

14 STAFFORD STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 21st April, 1866.

I have much pleasure in expressing the high opinion I entertain of Dr William Traill. Dr Traill is a most accomplished Practitioner, and, during a long residence in Dunfermline, has acquired and retained the esteem of a large circle of patients. I have every confidence that he will be successful in his new sphere, and am sure that the success will be justly merited.

D. R. HALDANE.



*From WM. MATHEWSON, ESQ., Manufacturer, and one of the  
Town Councillors of this City.*

COMELY PARK PLACE,  
DUNFERMLINE, 23d April, 1866.

Dr Traill has attended my family for the last ten years, and I cannot speak too highly as to his professional skill and kind gentlemanly attention on all occasions. I have no hesitation in saying that his leaving this city will be a loss of no ordinary kind, as he had the sincere confidence and esteem of his very numerous patients.

As a member of the Parochial Board, I had most ample opportunity of knowing the admirable way in which he attended to his duties in connection with that institution, and the poor have lost in him one who was ever ready to minister to their wants. He leaves this with the warmest wishes of many for great prosperity in his new sphere of labour.

WM. MATHEWSON.

*From J. L. MILLER, ESQ., Bookseller and Stationer.*

DUNFERMLINE, 20th April, 1866.

It is nearly sixteen years since Dr Traill attended my family professionally. From what we experienced of his skill and ability during that period, I have the utmost confidence in recommending him as one whom I never found in error, either in judging of a case, or in its treatment. He was uniformly successful, while his kind and amiable manners are peculiarly adapted for gaining the confidence of ladies and children. Having so long found him everything which a Medical gentleman ought to be, it is with the utmost regret that our family parts with him to London, where we trust he will receive that patronage he so very justly deserves.

J. L. MILLER.

*From WILLIAM FRASER, ESQ., Banker.*

INVERKEITHING, 27th April, 1866.

I have known Dr Traill since he commenced to practise in Dunfermline, and have much pleasure in testifying that he stands high in the estimation of this district, as well from his eminence as a Medical gentleman as from his pleasing manners and gentlemanly conduct. For about



twelve years he attended my brother-in-law, the late Mr Henderson of Halbeath, who suffered from peculiar and painful maladies. I had many opportunities of noting and admiring the skill, perseverance, patience, and anxious attention he displayed in the treatment of this case. I can with perfect confidence strongly recommend him to those requiring medical aid.

WM. FRASER.

*From Mr JAMES HOUSTON, Manager, St Leonard's Works.*

DUNFERMLINE, 23d April, 1866.

I certify that Dr William Traill was Medical Officer of the St Leonard's Works for a period of eight years, and has also been Medical Attendant of my family for some years. I can bear the highest testimony to his skill. He possesses an amiable disposition, frank manners, and sensitive feelings.

While I deeply regret Dr Traill's removal from Dunfermline, I most sincerely hope for his success in his new field of labour.

JAMES HOUSTON, Manager.

*From P. ORPHOOT, Esq.*

113 GEORGE STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 14th April, 1866.

MY DEAR SIR,—I have recently been made aware of your intention to change the scene of your professional labours from Dunfermline to London; and at the risk of appearing obtrusive, I take upon myself to express what I have the best reason to believe are the sentiments of the friends and patients in Scotland who are losing you. I am sure that your decision has caused general regret, and I can easily understand how heavily the loss will fall upon your patients in Dunfermline, many of whom are, doubtless, well aware of how difficult it will be to procure the assistance of such another kind and skilful practitioner.

In the circumstances, however, I fully believe that one wish pervades all, and it is, that a still greater sphere of usefulness is being opened up for you, and that a very long period of health and prosperity is in store for yourself and family. I need not add that such is the sincere wish of,

My dear Sir,

Ever yours sincerely,

Dr Traill.

P. ORPHOOT.

*From* JAMES R. POLLEXFENS, *Writer to* H. M. Signet.

6 INDIA STREET,  
EDINBURGH, 23d April, 1866.

MY DEAR SIR,—I do not see how any certificate from me can be of any service to you, seeing that I am not a medical man, and, therefore, cannot speak with any authority regarding your professional attainments. But since you desire to have one from me, I have no hesitation in stating that I have known you from your early boyhood; that when you were a young man attending the University here, I knew you to be a most diligent and attentive student, and, in particular, to be most assiduous in prosecuting the study of the Medical profession. You have been for several years settled in Dunfermline, where I know you have proved yourself to be a most attentive and skillful Practitioner; and now that you are about to proceed to London, I can only say that you certainly carry along with you my best wishes for your success there, having always found you a kind and steady friend. I am perfectly confident, from what I know of your antecedents, that you will give every satisfaction to all who may think proper to avail themselves of your professional skill.

I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Dr Traill, Dunfermline.

JAMES R. POLLEXFENS.

*From* W. L. LINDSAY, ESQ.

MURRAY'S ROYAL INSTITUTION,  
PERTH, 28th April, 1866.

I have much pleasure in certifying that I have known Dr Traill since we were fellow students in the University of Edinburgh in 1850, that I have a high opinion of his natural sagacity, and of his skill and experience as a Physician and Surgeon, based, as these are, on a long and successful practice in an important manufacturing provincial town, and that I believe him to be unusually well qualified for assuming the duties of general practice in a London suburban district.

W. L. LINDSAY.

